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ISRAELI PRESIDENT AT 80.-Zalman Shazar (second from left) is called to the reading of the Law in the Chabad Synagogue in the Old City of Jerusalem last week, to mark his 80th birthday. His Old City visit marked the beginning of birthday celebrations at Jerusalem and elsewhere in Israel.

Crisis in Canadian Jewish leadership

SCANDAL ABOUT 'DEPUTATION'

APOLOGETICS AT MEETING WITH CHURCH LEADERS CONDEMNED

by a CJN reporter

A serious crisis within the leadership of the Canadian Jewish Establishment is brewing. It may lead to the formation of a small, new but representative committee of men and women interested in presenting properly the case of Israel to the community at large and to befittingly inform public opinion about the Middle East crisis.

UNFORTUNATE MEETING

This situation developed following an unfortunate meeting of a few Canadian Jews acting as "a Jewish community deputation" that requested a meeting with the leaders of the United Church of Canada. A Jewish public relations committee issued a report to organizations on this meeting with the United Church leaders which took place on Friday, November 7th.

The topic discussed was an anti-Israeli statement made in the *Arab-Canada Bulletin* by the Rev. Ernest E. Long, Secretary of Canada's General Council of the United Church. This Arab-Canada bulletin is the official propaganda sheet of the Arab information center in Ottawa, the public relations arm of the anti-Israeli and anti-Jewish Arab regimes.

CAME TO PROTEST; STAYED TO APOLOGIZE

...ording to our information, instead of attacking the United Church leadership for its unheard of tolerance and sometimes encouragement of the most vicious libels launched at Israel and at Canadians supporting the Jewish state, this "deputation" became apologetic. It came to protest and demand an apology from the United Church leadership—and it wound up the meeting with the following "proposals":

(a) that the Church will consider sending a study mission to Israel to examine the totality of the country; and

(b) to supplement existing Christian-Jewish dialogues by additional meetings with Canadian Jewish leaders on a local and national level.

The "deputation" spoke as though it represented a Judenrat, a committee of Jews picked by the Nazis to transmit their orders to Jewish communities. It had to listen and obey. And this is how most of the members of this "deputation" behaved—with but one exception, a rabbi.

"ZIONISTS" ATTACKED

The Jewish "delegates" were asked why they do not raise a "non-Zionist" voice opposing the control of the press by "Zionists". (Of course, "Zionists" here was used in the sense that this term is understood by the anti-Jewish propaganda machines in Moscow, Cairo, Iraq and Damascus.)

The brave leaders did not counterattack. They explained; they apologized. It is reported that the leader of the "deputation" was almost as brilliant as the Biblical Moses: he began to stutter, so nonplused did he become when he was accused of "Zionism".

Another "delegate" replied to the "accusation" that Canadian Jews do not protest against the so-called "rule of orthodox Jews" in Israel—again an apology.

Again a member of this group apologized. He said the only reason Canadian Jews do not protest against the religious laws prevailing in Israel stems from the fact that "the Canadian Jew understandingly does not wish to exacerbate this situation by contributing his own public criticism."

He then continued to state, according to the release, that "he himself would prefer to see the rule of civil law (?) in Israel and he has no hesitation to express his views."

The same "representative" of the Jewish community then went on to state in the same apologetic vein that "Rabbi Plaut and others have dealt with this question from their pulpits which are not private channels...it should be borne in mind that this legal arrangement is an inheritance from the British Mandate which in turn inherited it from the Ottoman power and is not the creation of the Jewish state."

The "deputation" then assured the "friends of Israel" among the United Church leadership that this, the religious character of some features of Israeli legislation, "is one of those problems that time will heal as it has in other lands."

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an editorial

FINALLY: ANTI-HATE BILL

Almost ten years have passed since The Canadian Jewish News first called for legislation against dissemination of racial hatred and prejudice. As always, the wheels of justice move slowly. But finally this week, after years of argument and counter-argument, the House of Commons gave its unanimous approval in principle to the government bill banning both propaganda of hatred and promotion of genocide of any group identifiable by religion, race or color punishable by up to five years in jail.

The measure now goes to a committee and it may be that there will be some heated discussion and opposition.

On Monday, in the House in Ottawa, Conservative Eldon Woolliams led the opposition against the Bill. There also was a protest from a Creditiste René Matte. Of course, all those opposing this bill spoke in the name of freedom. But what freedom can there be if hatemongers are allowed to stir up a climate of mistrust among citizens exploiting the basest racial and religious prejudices?

It surprises us that Steven Otto, Liberal of York East, also has found a weakness in this bill though he himself admitted that "truths and half-truths have always been used by demagogues." Stanley Haidasz, another Toronto Liberal, rightly pointed out, as had NDP member David Lewis, that such a bill is essential both for the preservation of our freedom and as a defense against the lunatic fringe.

It seems the majority of Canadians now feel how important it is to defend democracy against those who would destroy it from within.

GREAT MOMENTS IN HISTORY

WHEN DISRAELI BOUGHT THE SUEZ CANAL

By STANLEY JACKSON

EXACTLY a hundred years ago the Suez Canal was officially opened for navigation by ships of all nations. Today the historic waterway is Nasser's blunt instrument of blackmail against Israel. Blocked and bristling with shore batteries, it provides a mocking and macabre setting for centenary "celebrations."

Every Egyptian schoolboy has long since been indoctrinated with the view that the "nationalisation" of the Canal Company's assets was justified, together with the flagrant breach of Article One of the Convention solemnly signed in October, 1888, by all the leading Powers:

"The Suez Maritime Canal shall always be free and open, in time of war as in time of peace, to every vessel of commerce or of war, without distinction of flag. The Canal shall never be subjected to the exercise of the right of blockade."

In this context no historian would dare to remind his countrymen that Disraeli and Rothschild once saved their Khedive from bankruptcy!

De Lesseps honoured

There was no hint of war clouds when the Canal was opened on Wednesday, November 17, 1869.

Journalists mingled with celebrated authors like Ibsen and Gautier, while French celebrities and socialites enjoyed the fireworks and toasted the health of Ferdinand de Lesseps, whose genius and initiative had brought honour to France and made a centuries-old dream practical.

With Said's influence and the encouragement of Napoleon III, he secured his concession to build a ship canal across the Isthmus of Suez. It would be 100 miles long, with a depth of 26 feet. The concession would run for 99 years from its opening for navigation, with the Egyptian Government receiving 15 per cent of the net profits.

French concession

Capital was soon strained for the costly work of land reclamation and harbour works on the site of Port Said. Occupied by the Crimean War, Britain did not subscribe for the shares and America was equally apathetic. In the end France put up almost half the capital, with the Egyptian Government subscribing the balance.

By the time the Canal was opened, Britain was kicking herself. Faster and bigger steamships had made Suez a most attractive short cut to India compared with the Cape route, and British political and financial interests were becoming alarmed by France's growing influence in Cairo. As a belated gesture of goodwill, Queen Victoria gave de Lesseps the Grand Cross of the Star of India.

He was also made a freeman of the City of London and a huge fête was held in his honour at the Crystal Palace, but this was outshone by the opening of the new opera, Aida, which Verdi had been specially commissioned to compose to mark the completion of the Canal and the advent of a bright future for Egypt, so long a sullen vassal of the Ottoman Empire.

The glorious outpourings of Verdi's music were not echoed by reports from the Canal Company. Working costs were prohibitive and fewer than 500 vessels passed through in the first year, as the shipping companies continued to use the Cape route. More bonds were issued, but there were few takers and the company was in danger of crashing. Not until 1875 would the shares rise above their par value.

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"I hear President Nasser has decided to increase the death penalty!"

Moses in Egypt. A cartoon in Punch, December 11, 1875, showing Disraeli with the key to India

Commentary

by M.J. NURENBERGER

The Israel Sharp discovered

Last week at the dinner in honor of Mitchell Sharp in Jerusalem's King David Hotel, I was very much impressed by the compliment the Canadian Foreign Minister paid Israel. He compared the country with Canada in the sense that both are so-called "middle powers". Perhaps Mr. Sharp meant both have little influence upon the march of history since only the Big Two are engaged now in remodeling the world to fit their power.

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It is no exaggeration to state that Sharp's visit to Israel was an historic event from the point of view of Canada-Israel relations. Canada has a long tradition of understanding nations fighting for their survival. We remember that all Canadian statesmen before Sharp—Diefenbaker, Pearson, Paul Martin—always have understood the specific problems of the Jewish state, "the people living apart," to use a Biblical expression. The fact that the Trudeau Government has decided to ask its Foreign Minister to investigate personally conditions in the Middle East is an additional proof of a kind of idealism permeating Canadian policy despite pragmatism which must be part and parcel of running a government and adapting national interests to the realities of the world-community.

After the dinner, riding in the elevator with Israel's Foreign Minister Abba Eban, I asked him what he could say about Mr. Sharp's visit. He replied candidly:

"The Canadian Foreign Minister has a profound understanding of our position."

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If one scrutinizes the Middle East situation at this moment, he is impressed by a certain courage involved in such a mission.

For the record, Nasser speaks of blood and war. The Russian Government is pressuring the United States into forcing Israel to surrender its gains of 1966 for an imaginary peace and in order to obtain some concessions from Washington at the present meeting in Helsinki. From afar, it seems as though all avenues leading towards peace in, or at least pacification of, the Middle East are closed and a new blood bath is inevitable. At such a time Canada despatches its Foreign Minister first to Iran, a Moslem country which deals with Israel and is doing business with the Jewish state, then to Israel itself, and on to Cairo right into the lion's mouth.

Is Mr. Sharp acting as an honest broker in the Middle East conflict? He himself denies it. He says all he proposed to achieve during his trip was to ascertain whether there were any prospects for a settlement of this problem. And, of course, Canada would be happy to contribute any counsel or other form of support were she asked to do so. But at this moment it seems such hopes have no real basis.

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In my opinion, as I studied the Canadian Secretary for External Affairs during his trip in Israel, Mr. Sharp must have established the following facts:

. All talk about Israel's refusal to seek an accommodation—or what the London Times called this week, its "excessive pride"—are nonsense. There is no such thing as a split between hawks and doves within the Israeli Cabinet although some members of the Government are more inclined to concessions for the sake of peace and others less ready to accept it. However all members of the Israeli Government, like the nation as a whole, are dedicated to peace, and peace only.

. Israel is a prosperous, living nation. As the Foreign Minister of Roumania told the editor in chief of the influential French daily, Le Monde, Mr. Andre Fontaine, last week: "Israel is such an existing nation that it is ridiculous not to acknowledge its existence. What nation is more existing?"

. There are no Arab governments with whom to talk about peace. There are regimes established by force, ruling by terror and vying with each other for a propaganda war against Israel; they live in perpetual fear of who will survive whom and who will be the next victim of the terrorist organizations.

. Of course, according to all experts, there is the Soviet Union which is not ready to order its Arab satellites to make peace so long as Moscow has not reached an agreement with Washington on other issues. The Israeli-Arab conflict is being fed from the USSR as a weapon of blackmail in order to wrangle some concessions in different areas.

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Yet Israel is determined neither to recede to the May, 1967, borders nor to accept any other compromise unless there is a serious effort towards a contractual peace with the Arab states.

As Mr. Eban said during the Sharp visit (referring to Canada's idea of a peace keeping force): a peace keeping force means that peace must be safeguarded by others; Israel believes the time has come for the full emancipation of all Mideastern states, without exception, towards full independence and self determination; if there be peace, who needs a peace keeping force?

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As I see it—and I discussed the matter with important men in government in several countries in the eastern Mediterranean area—what the present Arab regimes want is to move their armies closer to Israel's most vital areas. This is what they mean when they demand evacuation of all occupied territories. They would like to see their guns pointed at Jerusalem from Ramallah and Bethlehem; the kibbutzim in the north under the menace of Syrian arms on the Golan Heights; and the Iraqi occupation army in Jordan stationed five miles from Tel Aviv.

This Israel will not accept. For she will not sacrifice the blood of her best sons and daughters in order to commit suicide because someone in the State Department may be dreaming about paying this price to Moscow.

End of NPD

THADDEN HERAUS!

Saarbrucken, West Germany.- The Neo-Nazi National Democratic Party finally abandoned hope staging any meetings here after its planned party congress was banned on Friday by state authorities. In a small restaurant, Adolf von Thadden, the leader of the party, reported to delegates on his vain attempts to save the congress. After the discussion delegates began leaving for home.

Earlier, the Saarland senior administrative court put the final seal on the ban when it rejected a second appeal by Herr von Thadden.

The reason for the ban, as given by the state authorities was the fear that left-wing counter-demonstrations might become violent and endanger public safety.

Herr von Thadden first appealed to the normal administrative court, which yesterday upheld the ban. The higher court's rejection of his second appeal came after a seven-hour sitting.

Some 700 delegates from all over West Germany had gathered here for the congress, which was planned as a rejuvenating meeting after the party's miserable showing in the September national elections when it failed to get into the Bundestag.

Bitterly, von Thadden said he might now be forced to follow the suggestion of some members to hold party congresses abroad or on board a ship in future. But before this he would try the courts.

The Saarbrucken case is to be taken to the constitutional court where the NPD will argue that it was prevented from exercising its rights as a legally constituted party under the political parties law.

ISRAEL "ABSTAINS"

United Nations (JCNS).- The United Nations marked its 24th anniversary recently with a gala concert and various receptions - all without the presence of the permanent representative of Israel, Yosef Tekoah, or any of his aides.

Israel's abstention was a quiet demonstration of her disappointment with the world organization where she has found little understanding and less justice in her various brushes with the Arabs in the Security Council and General Assembly, and now has witnessed one of her most intractable enemies, Syria, rewarded with a seat on the Council.

In statements on United Nations Day, the President of the Assembly, Miss Angie Brooks, found the organization "not perfect", and the arguments heard within it "stale and unprofitable," and the Secretary-General, U Thant, pondered over "a profound malaise (that) characterizes the human situation."

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MARKS FIFTY YEARS

The Histadrut Conference which will be held this coming Sunday, November 23rd, will mark fifty years since the founding of the Movement in Israel. Three hundred delegates already have submitted their registration, representing various landsmanshaften, societies and fraternal organizations in the city.

NEW CANTOR IN TORONTO.-Cantor Sheldon F. Merel, who will be installed officially at Holy Blossom Congregation tonight. The installation will be conducted during the worship service. The concert following will feature Cantor Merel with George Horvath, cellist, and Douglas Bodle, pianist.

Prior to his coming to Toronto, Cantor Merel, a graduate from the School of Sacred Music of Hebrew Union College, served at Temple Sinai in Oakland, Cal., for the past eleven years.

Michael Kerem, Counselor of the Embassy of Israel in Ottawa, will be guest speaker. He will discuss Israel's most pressing needs in the present critical situation.

BREAKFAST MEET

* B'nai Israel Beth David Brotherhood will have its next breakfast meeting this Sunday morning. Murray Vernon, program chairman, will introduce the guest speaker, James Karfilis, legal advisor to the University of Toronto, pollution probe committee. Alfred Pilch is president.

* The meeting of the Book Review Circle will take place next Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rose. Bernard Papernick will review Isaac Bashevis Singer's The Magician of Lublin.

SPOKE

Last night the Contemporary Affairs Institute heard an address by Rabbi Emanuel Forman of Shaarei Shomayim. Topic was Who Is Religious?

SYMPOSIUM

This coming Tuesday evening, November 25th, a symposium will be held at the Jewish Public Library. Theme: Around the World with Jewish Books. Participants are: Prof. B. Ansel of the University of Buffalo, who will discuss Jewish life in Latin America; Mrs. Hadassa Rosenberg, lecturer, extension division of U. of T., who will speak on Jewish life in Israel; Rabbi Meyer Berglas of Shaarei Tefillah, who will talk about Jewish life in Britain and France; Prof. Miriam Waddington of York University, who will deliver an address on Jewish life in the United States and Canada.

WILL MAKE KEYNOTE ADDRESS.-Dr. Marvin Fox, noted philosopher and scholar of Ohio State University, who will address the dinner guests at the 21st annual Negev dinner in Toronto on December 3rd. He will discuss the role of world Jewry in its relationship with Israel in the light of the current Israel-Arab impasse. This year's Negev dinner honors Mark and Lillian Levy whose contribution to Jewish and general community causes had earned them universal respect and admiration. Dinner chairman is James Kay.

PANEL DISCUSSION

Young Couples Club of Adath Israel held a panel discussion on, Pornography and Society, last Sunday night. Panel: Tom Adameski, Prof. Modern Literature, U. of T.; Mark Levene, Professor of Modern Literature, University of Toronto; Evelyn Latowsky, Professor of Sociology, U. of T.; Miles Riley, lawyer.

LECTURES

* Rabbi Erwin Schild of Adath Israel will lecture on, The Origin and Growth of our Prayerbook, and, Practical Source Book of Judaism, Thursday, November 20th and Thursday, the 27th, respectively.

* Brotherhood will present at its breakfast meeting this Sunday Paul Kligman. Topic: Brotherhood is Nutriment to a Healthy Congregation.

NEW CONGREGATION PRESIDENT.-Henry Cohen-Sittayoun, fifth generation Israeli who emigrated to Canada thirteen years ago, is current president of Toronto's Mogen David Sephardic Congregation. He is vice chairman of the Labor Zionist Organization, Central Region, as well as an active member of B'nai B'rith's Eglinton Lodge, among other duties.

MIZRACHI WOMEN TO MEET IN TORONTO

Sunday, November 30th, marks the commencement of Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi Women's Organization National Convention at the Park Plaza Hotel in Toronto. The convention chairman, Mrs. M. Halpern, and her co-chairmen, Mesdames J. J. Fromm and I. Hechtman of Montreal and M. Chesley and S. Kaminker of Toronto, have compiled a program which promises to be a dynamic and stimulating one.

Built around the theme: If Not Now, When?, the convention will reemphasize the vital work Mizrachi Women in Canada are doing -- in establishing vocational schools and in fostering religious education in Israel. It will outline its plans for a new dormitory to be constructed in Bnai Braq for underprivileged and indigent girls who will attend the new Bnai Braq Vocational High School, another pilot project of Mizrachi Women in Canada. The Convention, which will continue until Tuesday, December 2nd, will be addressed by several renowned speakers: Rabbi Dr. M. Kirshblum of the Jewish Agency's Aliyah and Klitta Department, who will give the keynote address at the opening session; Rabbi S.M. Zambrowsky, World Chairman of Mizrachi, who will deliver a special message from the Merkaz Olami of Mizrachi in Jerusalem; Dr. Leah Bronner of South Africa, who will speak on the challenges offered by Mizrachi Women to its members.

David Newman, Q.C., Rabbi Dr. Stuart Rosenberg, Saul Hayes, Q.C., and Rabbi Morris Halpern will discuss the contemporary challenges to world Jewry in a special panel symposium.

ELECT NEW OFFICERS

The following officers were elected at the triannual conference of the Labor Zionist Movement of Canada, Central Region, on Sunday, November 16th, in Toronto: Kalmen Berger, honorary chairman; Mrs. Dora Israelson, chairman; Lou Kirshenbaum, senior vice chairman; Mrs. Mary Davis, vice chairman, Youth and Aliya; Harold Brief, vice chairman, Canadian Affairs; Hye Kirshenbaum, secretary; Colin Morris, treasurer. They will serve to 1972 when the next conference will be held.

Mrs. Israelson and L. Kirshenbaum, who have served in the leadership of the Labor Zionist Movement for many years, are well known in Toronto's Jewish community. Other officers have rededicated themselves to the program of the Movement in Hebrew education, Youth and Aliya and in the continued support of the community and of Israel.

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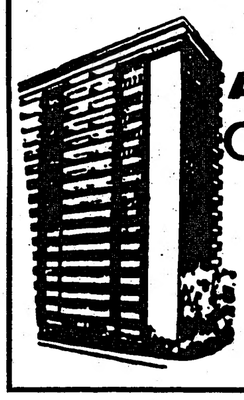

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THE MIDDLE EAST

Ottawa.-External Affairs Minister Mitchell Sharp said on his arrival from Cairo, that the Middle East situation is "very dangerous."

Mr. Sharp, who visited Israel and Iran as well as Egypt, said there has been very little progress toward a peace settlement. The situation was confrontation without concession by either side.

He said he would be more optimistic about the Middle East if there had been a request for Canadian assistance in peacekeeping.

The only way a peacekeeping force could be provided was for the two sides to agree but there was "no prospect of that."

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Five explosive charges, placed by Arab frogmen, ripped holes early Sunday in the hulls of an Israel cargo ship and an excursion boat moored in the port of Eilat, Israel's outlet to the Red Sea. Both Egypt and the Al Fatah guerrillas claimed responsibility, Cairo saying that three ships were sunk.

The sabotage climaxed a weekend of heightened border strife on all fronts. Artillery clashes across the Jordan flared to a scale they have not reached for months, with five exchanges of fire in less than 24 hours.

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Turkey is now giving Russia full facilities for moving aircraft into Arab States, it was learned from reliable NATO reports.

Russian MiGs and other military aircraft flown by Russian pilots have recently been refuelled at Adana and other Turkish airfields on their way for delivery to Egypt, Iraq and Syria. Russian cargo planes carrying military equipment for Cairo, Damascus and Baghdad are now using Turkish airfields almost daily.

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CANDIDATE FOR RE-ELECTION.-Alderman Ben Nobleman, who seeks reelection in the Borough of York, Ward 1. Among other activities, he is a past president of Sterling Lodge, B'nai B'rith, a member of the Joint Community Relations Committee, Central Region, of CJC and B.B., a member of the Regional Council of the Canadian Jewish Congress and of Branch 513, Farband.

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Applications for above certificates will be received at the city clerk's office, City Hall, Toronto any time during regular business hours or on Saturday, November 29th from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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CRISIS IN CANADIAN JEWISH LEADERSHIP

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He went on to assure the United Church leaders that "many Canadian Jews were non-Zionists in the sense that they were not associated personally with Zionism as a political movement or organization."

Then one of the leaders of the United Church presented the column of the editor of The Canadian Jewish News, M. J. Nurenberger, entitled the Aqsa Axis (printed in this newspaper dated Friday, October 24, 1969). To this another Representative of the People conveniently replied that it was *not* the opinion of the Jewish community.

Following is the column as it appeared in The Canadian Jewish News and about which the "deputation" stated that it did not represent the Jewish view:

THE AQSA AXIS, by M. J. Nurenberger

The Reverend Ernest E. Long, secretary of Canada's General Council of the United Church, has recently contributed to what Arab propagandists call "the promotion of Arab-Canadian understanding."

The *Arab-Canada* bulletin, published by the Arab Information Center in Ottawa, prominently features a letter from Dr. Long in which he discusses "the regression of the State of Israel in the Middle East", in connection with the Al Aqsa arson.

In his sanctimonious statement this pious Christian leader also attempts to teach us not only what he believes to be the religious truth, but issues an Epistle to the Hebrews about their faith and their religious loyalties. As if this were not impudent enough, Mr. Long then goes on to "deplore the fact that Jewish people everywhere seem to identify the preservation of the State of Israel with the preservation of the Jewish religion."

On another occasion, I pointed out that some Christian leaders of the old school still seem dedicated to the orthodox image of the New Testament Jew. And what does the New Testament offer the Jew: paradise after death—of course, if he atones for his "sins",—but no place to live in this world. *This* world is for others, not for the Jew. Thus, the conflict between inquisitional Christianity, and the new Christianity, personified by the late Pope John, becomes evident. I am horrified by Dr. Long's support of such libelous Arab propaganda tricks as the malicious suggestion that the Israelis are responsible for the arson which damaged a part of the Al Aqsa mosque. Such misleading pseudo-Christian teachings definitely revive antisemitism.

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Dr. Long knows well that this insinuation is as false as the infamous libel that Jews use Christian blood for baking Passover matza. Of course, to us in our enlightened era, it seems ridiculous to even mention such outrageous concoctions. But Dr. Long knows how many thousands and thousands of people were slaughtered because of the Protocols of the Elders of Zion and similar falsifications of facts, of which the Al Aqsa canard is a vivid example.

Many Jews will suffer in Moslem lands because of the hysterical propaganda disseminated among ignorant peasants that Jews burned the Al Aqsa mosque. And the Dr. Longs will be quoted as proof.

Now there is a new propaganda line emanating from Cairo: that the United States is sending pilots to Israel to fight Arabs. Of course, the State Department has denied this. Long and I know it is ridiculous, but will the fellahin believe the truth, or will they become aroused by the new wave of hatred from Radio Cairo, directed against the United States by such Christian regimes as Moscow and Peking?

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I could ask Mr. Long or his friends what they were doing when close to a hundred synagogues were destroyed by King Hussein's regime during his illegal, anti-United Nations *occupation* of the City of David, in the years 1949 to 1967. Also, I could continue asking him what the churches did to prevent the massacre of the Six Million. Or, has he forgotten that in Hitler's Germany all the churches were open,—always on Sunday.

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It is sickening to read from the pen of a religious leader statements supporting a most offensive propaganda line, alleging a Jewish conspiracy to destroy a Moslem shrine. Long and I know that were it not for this *immoral* support given extremist agitators, the harmony between Jews and Arabs in the Old City which started so beautifully in June 1967,—when Jerusalem became reunited,—would continue undisturbed, and the City of David again would become the City of Peace.

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I must return to this conflict of opinion about monuments, churches and memorials. If Dr. Long seeks a lesson in Jewish religious truth, may I point out to him that, to us, one human life is more important than one million church or synagogue edifices. It is the dedication to, and consecration of man, that will remain the fundamental basis of our loyalty: the holiness of human life, Arab and Jew, Hebrew and Christian alike. It is the Biblical concept of the *earth that is given to man,* and *the heaven that belongs to the Lord,* which is still the basis of my faith. Let us talk about peace among men, and all shrines and abodes will become holy because they will be the true spiritual centers of a living humanity.

Thus ended the meeting of the "deputation" which came to protest against the slandering of Israel.

But what resulted of the whole affair was a release sent to Jewish organizations which "informed" them, in a doctored report, about the activities of the Establishment. In all probability, the "deputation" now will ask for a larger subsidy from the United Jewish Appeal for its marvelous work on behalf of Israel.

Some informants suggested to The Canadian Jewish News that those who participated in this "delegation" should be summoned to a Din Torah, before a rabbinical tribunal, for this unheard of misrepresentation of Jewish interests.

The Canadian Jewish News was told by a source close to the Government of Israel that the Israeli opinion about this meeting could be expressed in two words: Hilul Hashem (Desecration of God's Name), i.e. Scandal.

TO ADDRESS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.-The Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin, Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce, who addressed the Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce and Industry at its annual meeting yesterday in Montreal. Topic: Canada's Trade with Israel.

PURIFY ARYAN RACE

Madrid (JCNS).- According to En Pie, the monthly of Spain's ruling political party, a racialist congress recently was held in Spain, at which it was decided to set up an "Institute of Psychosomatic Biological and Racial Science."

One of its aims will be to "purify by all means the Aryan race" - one of the objectives of Nazism.

DAIA COMPLAINS

Buenos Aires (JCNS). - General Francisco Imaz, Argentina's Minister of Interior, has assured the Jewish community that its concern over increased antisemitic activity in the country will receive attention "with full consideration of the human rights at stake."

He sent this reply after meeting a delegation of DAIA the representative organization of Argentine Jewry, led by Gregorio Faigon, the president, which pointed out in particular the operations of Arab League propagandists and Arab diplomats.

General Imaz also said that propaganda aimed at promoting racialism "is alien to our historical tradition, which respects cultivation of the spiritual values" of foreigners and nationals living in Argentina.

He had ordered an inquiry into the situation outlined by DAIA, as well as a study of "possible remedies."

MONTREAL NOTES

DISCUSSION

Recently the Women's Division, Canadian Technion Society, held an evening discussion. Dr. Fred H. Knelman was guest speaker. Topic: Technology and Society -- a Crisis in Values.

EDUCATION SERIES

Young Israel is continuing its Jewish educational program. Some courses already are in progress.

MEETING

Beth Aaron Sisterhood held a meeting Wednesday evening.

FASHION SHOW

Jewish Convalescent Hospital recently held a fashion show. Sponsors were Dafna and Tikvah Groups, Pioneer Women. Convener: Mrs. L. Fittleberg.

BAZAAR

All day last Wednesday the Parent Teachers Association, Rabbinical College of Canada, held a bazaar at Beth Rivkah Academy.

JOINT MEET

Sisterhood and Brotherhood of Shevet Achim Chaverim Kol Yisrael held a joint meeting on Wednesday night.

ART AUCTION

On Saturday night, November 29th, the St. Laurent Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, will hold an art auction and preview.

SHOWED FILM

On Monday night, Laurentian Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, saw the movie, Goodbye Mr. Chips. Conveners of the event were Mesdames Florrie Ilovich and Rose Tabachnik.

FOR NEW MEMBERS

Montreal Section, National Council of Jewish Women, held an open meeting for prospective members at the home of Mrs. Cyril Reitman.

GENERAL MEET

The Nursery School PTA, Chomedey Branch, YM - YWHA, held a meeting last Wednesday at Shaar Shalom Synagogue. Speaker: Mrs. Kay Crowe. Topic: Educating Today's Child for Tomorrow.

OPENING MEET

Recently Beth Israel Floating Discussion Group held an opening meeting at the home of Mrs. Roslyn Bier.

COURSE

Yesterday the "Y" introduced a course, Jewish institute for Brides and Grooms. Convener: Mrs. I. Schwej.

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A meeting was held Wednesday by the Women's Group Congregation Shomrim Laboker Beth Yehudah and Affiliated Congregation Shaare Tefillah.

SHOW

Cum Laude and Negev Chapters, B'nai B'rith, held a fashion show Tuesday night at the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue.

ANNUAL BAZAAR

Montreal Women's ORT held a two-day bazaar on Tuesday and Wednesday.

DONOR DINNER

Sisterhood Congregation Beth Ora will tender a donor dinner on Tuesday, November 25th. Chairmen: Mesdames H. Fogel and A. Vininsky.

LUNCHEON

A donor luncheon will be held on Tuesday, November 25th, by Shaare Zion Sisterhood.

MONTREAL OBITUARIES

LERMAN, BELLA. - On November 7th, late of Montreal.

MARITZER, HARRY.- On November 9th, late of Petersburg, Va., formerly Montreal.

MINDEL, BESSIE.- On November 9th, late of Montreal.

MINTZ, NATHAN.- On November 3rd, late of 102 Holtham Rd., Hampstead.

ROSENFELD, LEA.- On November 8th, late of 5315 Jeanne Mance.

SALOMON, MOE GEORGE - On November 8th, late of Montreal.

SHAPIRO, MAMIE.- On November 7th, late of Montreal.

STEIMAN, REBECCA.- On November 3rd, late of Montreal.

WAXMAN, HYMAN.- On November 5th, late of Montreal.

BUY LESS OR PAY MORE TAXES

Haifa (JCNS).- Dr. Zvi Dinstein, the deputy Finance Minister, said here recently that the public would have to slow down consumption and increase savings if it did not want to shoulder an additional tax burden.

Speaking at the Economic Club, Dr. Dinstein stated there would be a foreign currency deficit of $850m. in 1969, most of it due to the defense budget, which accounted for 20 percent of the GNP.

Public cordially invited to attend the

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30th

6:30 p.m. - Dinner - Greetings, HON. EPHRAIM EVRON, Israeli Ambassador to Canada

8:30 p.m. - Keynote Address, RABBI DR. MORDECAI KIRSHBLUM, Israel

MONDAY, DECEMBER 1st

12:30 p.m. - Luncheon - Guest Speaker, DR. LEAH BRONNER, South Africa

6:30 p.m. - Banquet - Message from Jerusalem - RABBI S.M. ZAMBROWSKY, Israel

8:30 p.m. - Symposium - "CONTEMPORARY CHALLENGES TO WORLD JEWRY"

PANELISTS

MR. DAVID NEWMAN, Q.C. - THE JEW IN CANADA

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2nd

12:30 p.m. - Luncheon - Guest Speaker, RABBI I. SWIFT, Engelwood, N.J.

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CHANUKAH FESTIVAL

CHANUKAH FESTIVAL STARS ISRAEL'S TOP PERFORMERS, DECEMBER 14TH; TWO PERFORMANCES.-The Chanukah Festival for Israel has special meaning for Toronto's Jewish community. It is a major highlight of the annual Israel Bond Campaign and a joyous symbol of the permanent link between the Jews of Canada and the State of Israel. This year's "All-Israel Chanukah Festival" will be a fitting climax for the most successful Bond effort in Toronto history, with the broadest community participation of any previous campaign. Stars of the Festival include the most exciting performers on Israel's entertainment roster, with an added privilege to meet and greet the all time great star of theater and films, Mr. Edward G. Robinson.

Israel's internationally acclaimed "Sahbra Dancers" will bring to life in dance and music the invigorating spirit of Israel, both old and new, in a performance of exciting precision and drama. Sharing the program will be: YACOV DAN, widely seen in a number of outstanding motion pictures including "Hello, Dolly", "Lawrence of Arabia" and others; The Sarah Aviani Yeminite Trio of exceptional talent; The Zimel Brothers, tenor stars of the great concert halls of the world.

Reserved tickets will be issued upon request to cash subscribers of Israel Bonds in 1969, on the basis of 1 FREE ticket for a family purchase of $100, and 2 FREE tickets for a combined family purchase of $200 or more. RESERVE YOUR TICKETS NOW!

FOR YOUR CALENDAR...

Bond events of wide community interest for the coming weeks include the following: UPPER CANADA LODGE RECEPTION – Monday evening, November 24th, at the home of HY LAMPERT, honoree for Upper Canada Lodge B'nai B'rith Tribute Dinner. Guest speaker on this occasion will be noted Israeli industrialist, Mr. Ze'ev Siegel.

ADATH ISRAEL RECEPTION–Sunday evening, November 30th, at the home of Irving Nashman, in advance of the Tribute Dinner which will honor MAX GREENSPOON.

TORONTO LODGE RECEPTION – Tuesday evening, December 2nd, at the home of Morris Finsten, President of the lodge which will honor ALFRED GREEN at a Tribute Dinner on December 9th. Confirmation just has been received that The Right Honourable John G. Diefenbaker, former Prime Minister of Canada, will be the distinguished guest speaker at the Toronto Lodge Dinner honoring Mr. Green.

ELOQUENT SPEAKERS FOR ISRAEL'S CAUSE

MAX WOLOFSKY, one of Canadian Jewry's most respected and devoted leaders, who will be guest speaker at an advance reception honoring MAX GREENSPOON, honoree for Adath Israel's Tribute Dinner which will be held next month. The reception at the home of William Greenspoon on Sunday evening, November 23rd, will launch such a series prior to the dinner to ensure the most productive results possible for Adath Israel's Bond effort in the current campaign. Mr. Wolofsky is a brilliant orator and newspaper publisher with keen insight into Israel's current political and economic situation.

YEHUDA HELLMAN, one of the foremost authorities on Israel and the Middle East and a major figure in American Jewish life, who will be guest speaker at the impressive Tribute Dinner in honor of HY LAMPERT being tendered by Upper Canada Lodge B'nai B'rith, Thursday evening, November 27th, at Beth Tzedec Synagogue. Mr. Hellman holds two key positions of major importance: Executive Director of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, coordinating body for 18 national Jewish groups; Secretary General of the World Conference of Jewish organizations, which coordinates the fight for Jewish rights in five continents.

ROBERT MAYER EVANS, outstanding news correspondent who was special assistant to Edward R. Murrow, Director of the U.S. Information Agency, and Bureau Chief for CBS News in Moscow, who will address a Cocktail Reception honoring HARRY GORMAN in advance of the Tribute Dinner being tendered by B'nai Israel Beth David in Mr. Gorman's honor. Mr. Evans has covered many of the key events in the Middle East over the past number of years. The reception will take place on Tuesday evening, November 25th, with Hy Shore and Harold Soupcoff serving as Cohosts at the latter's home.

AN EXAMPLE OF ISRAEL'S EXCELLENT FASHION TASTE.-A gold brocade cloak, the last word in elegance. Under it, the bare look halter and a hobble skirt, the last word in fashion. Another Shafir original.

FASHION INDUSTRY BOOSTS ISRAEL'S ECONOMY

The fashion industry has come of age in the State of Israel. It is fast developing into one of the young state's top foreign currency earners. In the 21 years of statehood, Israel has seen its knitwear, leather and fur styles rise to the top of the list of fashion exports. An exciting showcase of Israel's finest fashions will be on view for Toronto women purchasers of Israel Bonds at the glamoros "ALL-ISRAEL FASHION FESTIVAL LUNCHEON" to be held on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH, in the Centennial Ballroom of the Inn on the Park. Mrs. Gabriel Alter, chairman of the Women's Division, will preside at the glittering event which annually attracts hundreds of women purchasers in categories of $250 and over. The luncheon presentation also provides an opportunity for important buyers of Israel's fashions to view the newest designs and thereby give further impetus to provide Israel with vital funds for economic development.

BONDS EVENTS IN PREVIEW

LOUIS L. FENKELL HONOURED: Eglinton Lodge B'nai B'rith paid tribute to one of its veteran Israel Bond leaders at a Tribute Dinner held at the Primrose Club on Thursday, November 13th, with many additional Israel Bond purchases subscribed in Mr. Fenkell's honor. Shown here, left to right, are: Harry Uster, Dinner Chairman; William Coldoff who presented the Tribute Commentary; Saul Parnes, Israel Bond Chairman; Ben Hechter, Eglinton Lodge President; Louis L. Fenkell, honoree; Emil Cohen, Guest Speaker.

RALPH MILROD HOSTS RECEPTION FOR BETH TZEDEC DINNER: Ralph Milrod, Israel Bond Chairman, for Beth Tzedec Congregation, was host at his home on Wednesday evening, November 12th, for an advance reception honoring BERT GODFREY in connection with the Tribute Dinner being tendered by the congregation on behalf of Israel Bonds. Shown here are, left to right: Ralph Milrod (seated); Harry Frank, Chairman of the Executive Committee, State of Israel Bonds; Isadore Levinter, Q.C., Beth Tzedec President; Dr. Arieh Plotkin, guest speaker; Samuel Posluns, Chairman of the Board, Beth Tzedec Congregation.

ALFRED GREEN, TORONTO LODGE HONOREE: The first advance function for the December 9th Tribute Dinner honoring Alfred Green, being sponsored by Toronto Lodge B'nai B'rith, was held at Mr. Green's home on Thursday, November 13th, with productive results for the Lodge Israel Bond campaign. Shown here, left to right, are: Alfred Green; Mrs. Green; Morris Finsten, Toronto Lodge President; Joseph Starkman, Israel Bond Cochairman; Max Shecter, Chairman of the Board of Governors, State of Israel Bonds of Toronto, who was guest speaker of the evening.

DR. NORMAN W. SHAUL HONORED AT RECEPTION: Clanton Park Congregation will pay well earned tribute to Dr. Norman Shaul at a Tribute Dinner on November 30th, in cooperation with State of Israel Bonds. Mr. Phineas Schwartz, who will serve as Dinner Chairman, was host at his home for a Cocktail Reception in Dr. Shaul's honor, which took place on November 13th. Shown here, left to right, are: Dr. Norman W. Shaul; Mrs. Shaul; George Flesch, guest speaker; Mrs. Schwartz; Mr. Phineas Schwartz.

ISRAEL SHOPSOWITZ HOSTS BOND RECEPTION: The newly inaugurated Food Industry Division of the State of Israel Bond Organization of Toronto will honor Israel Shopsowitz at a major dinner to be held at the Inn on the Park, in appreciation of this honor being accorded him, Mr. Shopsowitz was host at his home for a Reception for members of the industry which took place on Monday, November 10th. Shown here, left to right, are: Mrs. Israel Shopsowitz; Mr. Jerry Elliot, guest speaker from Chicago; honoree Israel Shopsowitz.

WALTER BICK RECEPTION FOR FOOD INDUSTRY EVENT: Mr. Walter Bick, (left) who will serve as Dinner Chairman for the Food Industry Division honoring Israel Shopsowitz, was host at a Reception at the Beverley Hills Hotel on November 13th for advance Israel Bond purchases by business associates and friends. Guest speaker at the meeting was Mr. Emanuel Shimoni, (right) Counsellor of the Embassy of Israel in Ottawa, whose message outlining Israel's current economic programs and needs spurred many increased purchases by those present.

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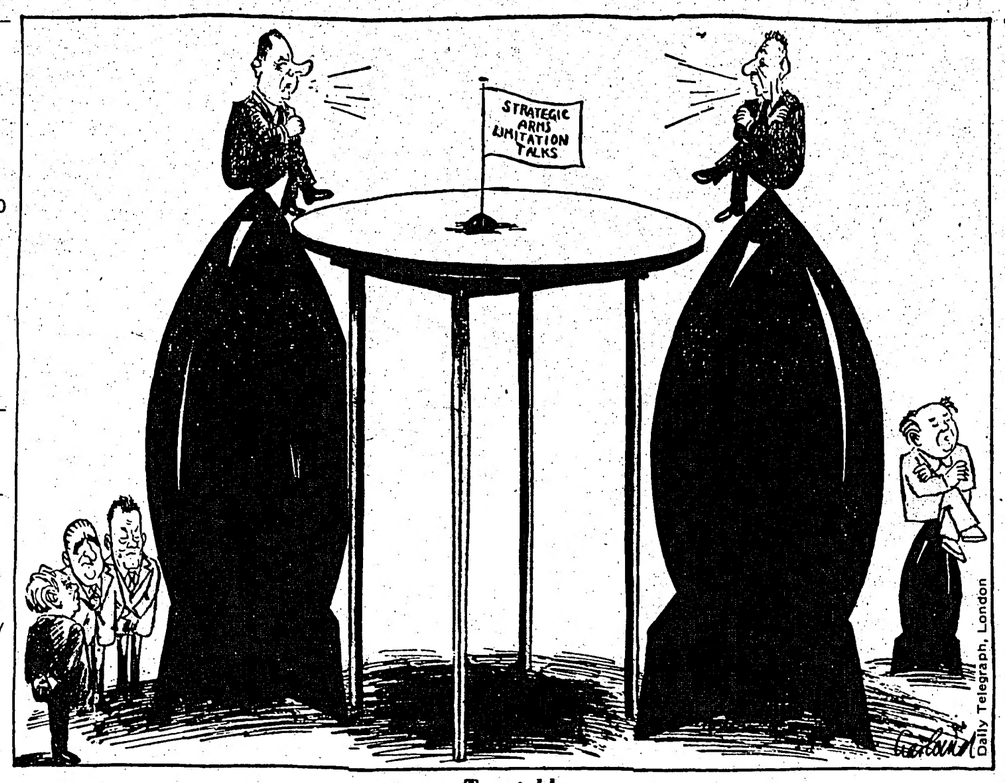
Candlelighting: Toronto 4:29, Montreal 4:00



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ASK THE RABBI
a JCNS featurette

Q. Why were the Israelites punished when David conducted a census of the people? Is this not rather superstitious?

A. In II Samuel 24 it is God who "moves" David to count the people. The Chronicler has clearly retold the story to avoid the obvious theological difficulty in the earlier version. The reference to Satan in Chronicles does show that a superstitious element is involved. However, later Jewish teachers give the more rational explanation that it is forbidden to count Israel because it is not numbers but quality which matters. Samson Raphael Hirsch has said that God does not count His followers; He weights them.

To this day in the synagogue, when it is desired to know whether a minyan is present, it is the custom not to count heads but to recite a Scriptural verse containing ten words. In a recent volume of Responsa (Ammud Ha-Yemini, by Saul Israeli, Tel Aviv, 1966) there is a discussion on whether it is permitted to take a census of the population in the State of Israel. After surveying the literature on our theme, the learned author comes to the conclusion that it is permitted.

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Q. Why am I, a Cohen, not permitted to enter a house in which a dead body lies? Whose graves, if any, may I visit in a cemetery?

A. Reform Judaism holds that all laws regarding the ancient priesthood have no binding force today. Moreover, it has been argued that there is much doubt whether Cohanim nowadays can be identified as such. But Orthodox Judaism insists on the strict observance of these laws. In many Orthodox cemeteries a special compartment in the prayer hall is divided off from the main hall so that Cohanim may be present at funerals without actually being under the same roof as the corpse.

The prohibition of a Cohen coming into contact with a corpse has been explained as a reaction to excessive preoccupation with death on the part of the custodians of many of the ancient religious, the Egyptian, for example, with "The Book of the Dead" as a great religious classic. The Torah is a Torah of life. The Torah, however, displays humanitarian feelings and so permits a Cohen to come into contact with the corpse of a near relative, i.e., father, mother, wife, brother, sister, son and daughter. Coming into contact means not alone touching the corpse but being under the same roof and, by a rabbinic extension, being in the same "four cubits" of a grave. The sources in the Bible are Leviticus 21, 1-4 and Numbers 19, 14.

MONTREAL JEWS

QUEBEC IN TURMOIL

Recent events in Quebec and, last but not least, the resolution of the Federation of the St. Jean Baptiste societies in favor of independence cannot be bypassed by the Jewish community with disdain. The Jews of Montreal—our largest community in Canada—are deeply involved in the future of the province. As a community, comprising members of different views, of course, it will not take a position on such an issue. However the fact remains that the battle of Canadian French nationalists rejecting bilingual school rights is gaining wider support than expected.

The Jewish community is not the only one among the non-French and non-English groups in Quebec seemingly unaware about what is going on in French Canada. It must be said the Jewish community, because of the many individuals who are bilingual, is more attuned to the reality of La Belle Province. Yet despite everything, no serious effort has been made till now to discuss this issue so vital to our future in a serious tone.

Since its inception, The Canadian Jewish News has called incessantly for an earnest attitude toward the intellectual revolution in Quebec. The Jewish community as such, of course, should not take a stand on independence and similar issues. There is no Jewish or Catholic view on political problems. Yet there must be an opportunity to discuss, on a communal basis and not in camera, the problem of our attitude towards education in French.

The extremists on both sides, in our opinion, will not prevail. But French Canadians may succeed in imposing French as *the* language of business in school in Quebec within a confederated Canada as had, for example, the Flemings in Belgium in their areas.

We should learn from what happened in other countries that had to face related problems. In any event, we ought to discuss it earnestly.

JEWS IN RUSSIA

KUZNETSOV INDICTS SOVIET REGIME

Anatol Kuznetsov, the Soviet best-selling author who defected from the USSR while visiting London three months ago, has given an exclusive interview to the JCNS and CJN in which he paints a grim picture of official antisemitism in the Soviet Union.

Responsibility for antisemitism in the Soviet Union lies squarely on the shoulders of the Soviet Government and Communist Party, Anatol Kuznetsov told me in the first interview he has ever given to a Jewish journalist and the first to be entirely devoted to aspects of Soviet Russia's policy towards the country's three million Jews. The author of "Babi Yar" and several other books which have sold seven million copies in the Soviet Union, Mr. Kutznetsov is only now emerging from hiding. He is regarded as the most prominent Soviet citizen to have defected since the Second World War.

As he spoke to me, he was quite definite in his dismissal of the idea that anti-Jewish discrimination in the USSR is merely a response to deep-seated antisemitic prejudice among the population.

"It is my firm belief," he said, "based on personal experience and knowledge, that antisemitism in the Soviet Union is being fostered by the ruling circles there."

"There have been cases of people being dismissed from their jobs simply because they are Jews. A Jewish friend of mine, a pediatrician, was ostensibly sacked in a drive to reduce staff, even though there was then (and still is) a shortage of children's doctors.

EDUCATION BAR

"Lately, it has become much more difficult for Jewish youngsters to obtain places in higher education. Of course, no one is told that entry was refused because of Jewish origin; the official reason given is usually 'failure' to pass the entrance examination."

Asked whether antisemitism was more prevalent in some social strata than in others - among workers or peasants, rather than among bureaucrats and the intelligentsia - Mr. Kuznetsov replied that in every layer of Soviet society there were antisemitic elements just as there were decent people.

Even among writers there is a group involved in the magazine Oktyabr (October) (edited by Vsievolod Katchetov) who, in Mr. Kuznetsov's view, are "ready-made fascists; they only need machineguns to be real Nazis."

On the other hand, there is the group of writers, connected with Novy Mir (New World), including such decent men as its editor, Aleksandr Tvardovsky, Yevgeny Yevtushenko, Alexandr Solzhenitsyn, and others.

"But in the existing political climate of repression, the only thing the decent elements can do is to continue not to be anti-Jewish themselves. And even this is frowned upon by the authorities and, in the case of writers, punished by condemning them to silence."

PESSIMISTIC

"I am as pessimistic," he declared, "about the general prospects of change and betterment in the Soviet Union as I am about the chance of any amelioration in the situation of, and policy towards, Soviet Jewry. I can foresee only a further tightening of the political screw and police repression, for I do not perceive the Soviet regime being capable of a humane attitude.

"Fifty years of experience and 20 million dead victims seem sufficient reason for my pessimism. I can only hope that I am mistaken."

Mr. Kuznetsov also fully confirmed reports that Soviet policy towards the Arabs and especially the lavish aid provided to Egypt and Syria, are extremely unpopular among the Soviet people.

"Virtually no one, outside official circles, approves of the policy, and ordinary people complain that, while they themselves suffer hardship, vast resources are being diverted to unreliable allies.

"However, the almost total opposition to Moscow's pro-Arab policy does not mean that sympathy for Israel is of the same order. Because of the distorted and one-sided nature of Soviet information and propaganda the supporters of Israel among the Soviet people are much less numerous than the opponents of the official pro-Arab line.

"Only a small section, made up of the more intelligent and decent Soviet citizens, feels sympathetic towards the Jewish State; the great majority remain indifferent rather than hostile."

Mr. Kuznetsov, who is 40, is now engaged in restoring to its original form, "Babi Yar," his documentary novel of the massacres - the first took place in September 1941 - in which some 70,000 Jews of German-occupied Kiev were shot and many buried alive in the ravine of that name on the outskirts of the Ukrainian capital.

Himself of mixed Russo-Ukrainian origin, he was a mere boy when he began to write the diary of the terrible events which he witnessed from his mother's house nearby, the dairy which he was later to expand into a book.

"It was during the more liberal period of the premiership of Khruschev that it became possible to publish it in the popular youth magazine Yunost (Youth) which has a circulation of more than 2,000,000.

"But even at that time, the version which appeared in Yunost - and was later published in book form both in the Soviet Union and abroad in some 30 languages (including English editions by MacGibbon and Kee and Sphere Books) - was not the true version of my original manuscript.

"What appeared was a distorted and totally crippled version, whole pages and passages having been removed by the Soviet censorship, to make my account of Babi Yar as innocuous as possible.

"There are two most essential and fundamental differences between my original text and the one which was published," the author explained. "First, whereas the censored and distorted published version presented the crime of Babi Yar as the sole responsibility of the Germans, my original text made it clear that others too, especially agents of the NKVD (Soviet secret police) and some Ukrainians, also bear a share in the guilt for the massacres in the ravine in Kiev.

SURVIVORS AFRAID

"Secondly, all references to the contemporary antisemitism which manifested itself in the official attitude to the massacres of Babi Yar and in the fate of their only two known Jewish survivors, were cut out.

"Not only is there no monument to the Jewish victims of Babi Yar - the ravine has been filled in and is now covered by a motorway - but the only two Jews who survived are still hiding their Jewishness under Russian names and are still afraid to admit that they were at Babi Yar, because of the prevailing atmosphere.

"My true testimony as to what happened at Babi Yar will also be an accusation against the rulers of the Soviet Union, who have been as determined to obliterate all traces of the massacre as the Germans were."

It is for this reason that Mr. Kuznetsov is so distressed about the possibility that a British publisher may bring out another edition of his "Babi Yar" in its censored and distorted form, despite his total disapproval.

the lively arts
THEATRE MUSIC FILM
by D. COHN

* Lucille Ball raised her children in the Catholic faith according to her then husband's wishes. She herself is Dutch Reform and now is a follower of Rev. Norman Vincent Peale. This time she is married to Gary Morton, a Jew. Thus the houshold has three religions going -- Protestant, Catholic and Jewish.

A little while ago, Lucie and Desi Jr. wanted to convert to Judaism to show their high esteem for their stepfather. However, he persuaded them to remain loyal to their own faith.

* Cary Grant's break with moviedom may be permanent now that he has a top executive post with Faberge perfumes. He has invested $200,000 in the business.

* Liz Taylor has a good relationship with hubby Richard Burton's children.

* Barbra Streisand's latest wooer is Australian born George Lazenby, starring as the new James Bond. He plotted their first meeting in London last year. Now they have strong feelings for each other, helping Barbra forget even her estranged husband Elliott Gould.

Lazenby, handsome and rugged, prefers Barbra's offbeat beauty and sensitivity to the typical glamor girls he's surrounded with himself in the past.

* The world premiere of A Cat in the Ghetto, a play by Shimon Wincelberg, based on four short novels written in Yiddish by Rachmil Bryks about the Jewish fight for survival in the Lodz Ghetto in the last war, has been presented successfully at the Royal Drama Theater in Stockholm.

The play was well received by the Swedish press on a comparable basis with the Anne Frank Diary. Wincelberg has picked upon the often macabre humor as the only way of depicting life in the ghetto.

A main character, Shlolme Blaustein, was played by Erland Josephson, the manager and a son of Gunnar Josephson, a former president of the Stockholm Jewish community.

Bryks, one of the few survivors of the Lodz Ghetto and Auschwitz concentration camp, went to Sweden after his rescue in 1945. Later he emigrated to the United States.

Wincelberg, who came from his home in Beverly Hills, did not attend the first night's presentation of the play on Shabbat because he is Orthodox.

One of his works, Kataki, was included in the best plays of 1958-59 and has been performed in many countries. He also has written many television scripts.

* Sondra Lipton of New York is a new name coming up in the world of art. Twenty years as a fashion model, now she paints -- of all places, in bed.

"When you're a model," she says, "you learn to lie down and rest every chance you get. When I started painting about six years ago, I found it was just as easy to spread my paints on the bed and work. I can talk to my friends on the phone -- I have one of those shoulder cradle things -- and go right on painting. You need a huge bed, though."

Miss Lipton, who is married to Jack Sahlman, a sales representative for California and European dress houses, and the mother of a 12-year old son, has a big double bed in her East Side apartment. "I'm neat, generally, but if I spill anything, it's always on my husband's side."

She gets up early, makes the bed and is likely to get in a tennis game before going back to bed again to work on the small still lifes of flowers and fruits bought by Mrs. Winthrop Rockefeller, Mrs. Paul Mellon and other notables.

Former President and Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson own a Sondra Lipton, a gift they received last Christmas.

Her first career was as a ballet dancer. But she felt too tall at 5'9". She applied for a modeling job at Christian Dior in New York and was hired. She doesn't worry about her looks. "I don't have to worry if I get eight hours sleep."

Her husband does the mounting and framing of her works and young Michael is critic. "I pay him a quarter a painting," said his mother.

* The David Pinsky memorial prize committee awarded the first prize for original Hebrew plays to Yitzhak Sela for his, The Great Defender, and to Avraham Raz for his, Not by Day and Not by Night. The prize for a Yiddish play translation into Hebrew was awarded to Shimshon Melzer who translated some of Pinsky's own plays.

Pinsky, who lived in Haifa, died ten years ago.

BOOKS OF THE WEEK
by Dr. Arnold Ages

Mr. Broadcasting himself

PRIME TIME
THE LIFE OF
EDWARD R. MURROW
By Alexander Kendrick

Alexander Kendrick, a noted newsman in his own right, has written a deeply moving portrait of a man who helped shape the American news media.

This biography of a man who was taken from us prematurely is more than the story of a human being -- it is a chronicle of broadcasting from its earliest days.

Most Americans (and Canadians as well) remember Edward R. Murrow for his television programs See It Now and Person To Person. It was on the former that Murrow first exposed the devious character of senator Joseph McCarthy.

Up to the time of the Murrow special most Americans (including the then president D.D. Eisenhower) had been afraid to confront the Wisconsin firebrand. His recklessness in making accusations about communists had led people to shy away from the controversy.

Kendrick reconstructs in considerable detail the approach to McCarthy which Murrow took on his program. The result was a devastating portrait of an unscrupulous man bent on gaining fame through the use of innuendo and outright prevarication.

McCarthy himself did not respond immediately to Murrow's attack but months later a predictable thing happened. McCarthy tried to pin the 'comsymp' label on Murrow -- this time unsuccessfully.

Kendrick is quite categorical in his belief that Edward R. Murrow was the man whose deflating of McCarthy led to the senatorial censure which virtually ended his career.

But Murrow's confrontation with McCarthy occupies only a small portion of the Kendrick biography. Much of the book is devoted to Murrow's role in the early days of radio and his innovative planning.

At the beginning of the Second World War, Murrow was sent off to Europe, where during the blitz, he broadcast live as the bombs fell.

Once during a bombing he and Quentin Reynolds, the magazine writer, drove around in the pock marked London streets in order to settle a bet -- whether Reynolds could read by the light of the flares caused by exploding bombs. He could.

It was Murrow's broadcasting, his vivid descriptions of a country torn by war, which helped to dispose American public opinion towards the British cause. In later years the British government was to publicly acknowledge Murrow's moral support.

A little known episode about Murrow's filming experience in Israel is recounted by Kendrick. In 1956 when the See It Now crew was working in Israel, a group of Syrian infiltrators crossed the border and stole some sheep.

When Murrow heard about this he rushed his camera crew from Haifa to the Syrian border and tried to get some film. Months later back in the U.S. he received a congratulatory note from an Israeli official who explained that the Syrians had returned the sheep. Apparently the presence of cameras with telephoto lens had convinced the Syrians that the Israelis had obtained incontrovertible proof of the theft.

RECENT
AND RECOMMENDED

If you are a movie fan there is a new book out that is bound to bring you hours of nostalgic and pleasurable reading. It's called The American Movie Reference Book and is edited by H. Michael. It contains an alphabetical listing of virtually every actor and actress of note as well as a similar listing of the major films produced in the United States. The one major failing of the volume is that there is no criticism of the films or actors involved.

There is no lack of criticism, however, in a recent book on the Jews of Germany. Postscript by Karen Gershon is a disturbing account of the mental anguish experienced by Jews who have lived in Germany since the end of the Second World War. "If there are no Jews here," writes one of those interviewed, "Germany will be lacking a voice that will persistently demand things that should be demanded of Germany."

The most intriguing thing about Winston Burdett's Encounter With The Middle East is the way in which the author obtains his information about high level cabinet meetings in Israel and Egypt. How much is conjecture and how much is fact are questions the critical reader must ask. It is true, for example, that Dayan wanted to bypass Jerusalem in the war against Jordan? Burdett argues that the defense minister believed a battle for Jerusalem would make martyrs out of the Jordanians. According to Burdett, Allon succeeded in persuading the cabinet that an encircled Jerusalem would produce worse psychological results than a liberated one.

KEEP SMILING

NAME CHANGING

At an official reception, two officers of the Israeli Army were introduced to one another by a government official.

"This is Lt. Col. Shulamith, formerly Edelstein. May I present Major Hadera, formerly Koussovsky."

The Major smiled. "What Israel needs," he said, "is a book entitled: 'Who Was Who'."

COUNTRY'S SIZE

A newcomer was staying with a friend in Tel Aviv. One day the friend said: "What are you going to do tomorrow? I'll be tied up and won't be able to show you around."

"I think I'll go on a tour of Israel," replied the newcomer.

"And what will you do in the afternoon?" asked the friend.

BUT THE TRUTH

"Tell me, haver (friend), did you come to Israel from Europe or from conviction?"

EXECUTIVE MATERIAL

A man went to see the head of a government department about a job.

"What's your experience?" he was asked. "What can you do?"

"Not a thing, sir," replied the applicant.

"Good," said the civil servant. "Then we won't have to break you in!"

BASIC

An elderly immigrant was asked how he was getting on with his Hebrew.

"I'm making a little progress," he said modestly, then added: "But my youngest boy speaks the language already like a native. He knows how to say everything except two little words: 'Please' and 'Thank You'."

SERMON FOR THE WEEK

WHEN THERE IS LOVE

It is always invidious to make preferential comparisons, and especially so when the objects to be compared are Biblical verses. Yet there is a real sense in which, just as it can validly be stated that all the Bible is holy, but that some parts are holier than others, so it can also be stated that all the Bible is intensely moving, only that some parts are more intensely moving than others.

Particularly impressive in this regard is the Biblical description in this week's Sidra of Jacob's love for Rachel: "And Jacob served seven years for Rachel; and they seemed unto him but a few days, for the love he had to her".

The greatness of the Bible is that its literal interpretation, rich and exuberant as it often is in itself, serves also as a basis on which to erect further lavish houses for the imagination, mind, and spirit. The proliferation of architectonic is never-ending and often ostensibly unrelated to point of origin. Someone, somewhere, this particular week, during the reading of this particular verse, is pondering not so much on Jacob's love for Rachel, on account of which seven years seemed like seven days; but on his own love, or perhaps lack of love, for Judaism, on account of which the reading of seven sections of the Sidra seems to take seven hours, and seven extra minutes of sermon seems like an eternity. It is amazing how many ramifications there are to the idea of the relativity of time considered as dependent on our emotional attitudes.

Even among the faithful, there is a feeling that Jewish tradition — if the phrase be permitted — sometimes rather tends to overdo things for the modern taste. We have only One God, it is true, but two, three or four, or more, of most everything else. Yet when the modern mind reacts against repetition, we must closely observe our reaction to it. If two days Yom Tov are tedious, the odds are that one day is a little too much also. If eight days Passover are too much, the odds are that one day has its drawbacks also.

The paradox whereby the pre-modern Jew, in spite of an infinity of repetition, derives more spiritual comfort and enrichment from his religion than the modern who, wherever he worships, has departed to some degree from the old pattern, is not related to how much is observed but to the attitude to whatever is observed, whether much or little. When there is love, seven years can be seven days. When there is no love, seven days or seven minutes is an infinity.

We would do well to consider the wellsprings of the love for Judaism rather than pay too much attention to the current obsession with ritual calculus. Even a superficial survey will make it clear that just as in the past, so in the present, there must be love for there to be meaningful religious experience. And this means that concern with modification of religious practice is not the primary current issue. Does the Jew love his religion, does it motivate him, is he moved by it? If not, why not? To some the question will be an irritation, to others a matter for indifference. On its authentic solution hinges the resolving of many apparently insuperable problems in contemporary Jewish life.

TORONTO AFTER DARK

BALALAIKA ORCHESTRA

The Osipov Balalaikas, the largest and most exciting balalaika orchestra in the world today, makes its grand entrance into Canada at Maple Leaf Gardens, Thursday, Friday, Sunday, December 4th, 5th, 7th. Under the baton of Victor Dubrovsky, the Mantovani of the Soviet Union, it features soprano Valentina Levko and tenor Alexander Vedernikov, singing stars of the Bolshoi Opera.

ACTIVITIES

The St. Lawrence Center for the Arts is about ready to present its activities program. It is working with many organizations and individuals in Toronto to create a new concept in community programing. The aim is to use the Center as a facility for diverse groups within the community. Groups and individuals are invited to present their proposals and ideas.

Murray Laufer is resident designer, as has been announced by Mavor Moore, general manager. Laufer, one of Canada's leading designers and a recipient of the Centennial Medal, has an extensive background in the field of design. He has created the settings for many CBC-TV presentations, musicals, dramas and operas. Recently he has designed the sets for the CBC-TV adaptation of Louis Riel, La Forza Del Destino for the 1969 Canadian Opera Company season, and Ariadne Auf Naxos for the Royal Conservatory Music Opera School. His current productions are Mourning Becomes Electra for Hart House Theater and a CBC-TV presentation for the Toronto Dance Theater.

FAMOUS STAR IN TORONTO.-Betty Field, who portrays the featured role in Arthur Miller's, The Price, now being performed at the Royal Alexandra Theater.

PREMIERE

Yesterday marked the premiere Canadian performance of Paul Foster's poetic retelling of the life and times of Tom Paine, at Theatre Passe-Muraille. It is directed by Jim Garrard with music by Phil Schreibman; set design by Miro Kinch.

ONE OF THE STARS

Michael Strong, who plays Victor Franz in Arthur Miller's, The Price, now at the Royal Alexandra Theater, was in the original Lincoln Center Repertory Company. A native New Yorker, he has created a variety of memorable roles on Broadway: in Arthur Miller's adaptation of An Enemy of the People; The Emperor's Clothes; Detective Story; Rhinoceros; many more. Recently he returned from Spain where he spent five months filming, Patton, in which he plays General Carver, costarring with George C. Scott and Karl Malden.

FIRST TIME HERE

Sunday evening, November 30th, will be the first time Nehama Lifschitz, who epitomizes the soul of Russian Jewry, will appear in the Free World when she stars at O'Keefe Centre. A resident now of Israel, she brings all the nostalgia of Yiddish life to Jews the world over. Even non-Jews marvel at her renditions.

The songs of Nehama Lifschitz can belong to everyone through her recordings on Columbia label.

FINAL PERFORMANCE

These are the final days, through tomorrow night, that Tango is being performed at Hart House Theater. It is in repertory with Mourning Becomes Electra, which has been sold out weeks ago.

LAST WEEKEND

Peter Pan is in its final weekend at Ryerson Theater. Judging from its excellent reviews, it should go on indefinitely.

RETURN ENGAGEMENT

This week Jerry Vale performs at the Seaway Beverly Hills Motor Hotel. Jerry, 38, wanted to be a singer from the time he was old enough to carry a tune. He was encouraged by both parents. The turning point in his career came in 1952 when he coaxed the owner of the Enchanted Room in Yonkers to hire him for a weekend. Guy Mitchell, Columbia Records' hottest selling artist at the time, was in the audience. He was so impressed, he set up an audition for Jerry with Mitch Miller, was signed and thus began his climb to the top-flight ranks.

OPENING

Next Tuesday Toronto Workshop Productions opens its season with Shakespeare's Tempest. Previews are running this week.

A study of mother and child. Barbra Streisand, star of the forthcoming Twentieth Century-Fox film "Hello Dolly," snapped with her two-year-old son, Jason, who wandered on the set during the shooting of a scene.

RUSSIA'S EMISSARY OF SONG.-Lithuanian born Nechama Lifshitz, now permanently residing in Israel, who will make her only Toronto appearance at O'Keefe Center on Sunday evening, November 30th. The event is being sponsored by Toronto Histadrut in honor of the organization's golden jubilee. Miss Lifshitz is referred to in Israel as the Jewish Edith Piaf.

ZIMRIYA IN ISRAEL OPENS NEXT JULY

Tel Aviv, Israel.- Mrs. Morris L. Schaver of Detroit, Michigan, was re-elected President of The International Committee for the Zimriya. The seventh Zimriya, World Assembly of Choruses will open in Israel on July 12, 1970.

The last Zimriya took place two-and-a-half-years ago with participation of 800 singers from eleven countries. This year 40 choirs with 1,800 participants already have applied for acceptance. Only 1,200 will be admitted. Among choirs in the United States which have already been accepted are: The Zamir Chorale of New York; The Los Angeles Singers; Gratz College Choir. They will be joined by two choirs from Canada.

Mrs. Schaver, president of the Assembly, is a well known singer in her own right. She is most active in community life in the United States as well as a strong supporter of many cultural endeavors for the State of Israel. She has built a number of schools and institutions for youth in an attempt to widen the cultural horizons of all humanity. It is only natural that she be asked to head the International Committee for the Zimriya.

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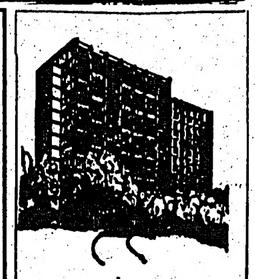

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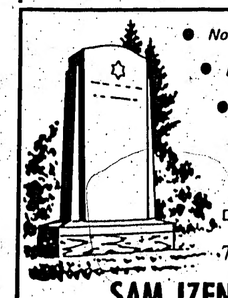

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My husband has an extremely strong sex drive, while mine runs close to the category of frigidity, and herein lies our problem.

I feel he is disregarding the fact that we are compatible in every other sense. I am a good homemaker.

We have discussed our problem intelligently and at great length, but have never solved it. My husband's love for me is based primarily on sexual attraction for me.

Can we resolve our problem without hurting each other needlessly?

ANSWER: In mature love there are both romantic and tender components. The tender love is expressed in appreciation, consideration and cherishing of the other. Romantic love is expressed sexually.

Romantic love alone is not enough to give the partners a happy and fulfilled feeling in their relationship. But neither is tender love, alone.

It is nevertheless true that the tender and romantic components are not always present in 50-50 proportions. At certain times in life, the romantic aspect is needed, wanted and enjoyed more by both partners.

While going through the hard period, each one may feel all worn out, physically as well as emotionally. To be desired physically mat seem, at this time, an undue demand for which the partner is not ready. Besides, while feeling threatened psychically, any sexual overture may seem like an assault.

Sexual activity is one of the basic and fundamental forms of communication, and may also be used to punish by pulling away and clamming up. The victim then retaliates by making more demands and becoming especially sensitive to the body behavior, facial expressions, and other such manifestations of the partner. Sex is then used to hurt or as a threat to get what they want, instead of as a beautiful communication of love and consideration.

Frigidity can be regarded at base as a kind of rigidity. On a deep level, it freezes up the sexual desires and any wish to satisfy them. But the pseudo-frigidity which comes and goes at will and which can be turned on and off to serve a person's whim is a different matter entirely. It serves as a mechanism of retaliation, guilt provocation, bargaining and behavior control through reward and punishment.

Despite all the good things you say you do, you still feel you are not worthy of the good things in life. Putting sex at the bottom of the list in a marriage is tantamount to preaching celibacy in marriage as the optimal practice.

WILL HOST RECEPTION.-Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Silver, who will host a reception for the officers, canvassers and workers of Toronto's Associated Building Campaign at their home, Wednesday evening, November 26th.

At a recently held report dinner, Sam Shainhouse and Joseph Levine stressed the achievements of the sixty dedicated campaign workers. Mark Shapiro, a university student who graduated from the Hebrew High School, also noted the importance of educating the growing generation in the rich religious and cultural values of Judaism. Messages were heard from Nathan Silver and Alex Davis.

The Associated Hebrew Schools of Toronto assumed the Campaign project to raise funds for the erection of a new school building on Finch near Bathurst. It is approved by the United Jewish Welfare Fund.

Recipe for the week

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POINT OF VIEW
by Ruthie

So much has been said about the maxi coats, I'm sure my two cents' worth isn't necessary. Yet there's an angle that makes me for and against.

The for -- it's years now since I've been trying to get Heather to cover her legs in the winter. Do you know what the wind, let alone the cold, can do to you on the way to school? And all she'd wear is the pea jacket.

Nu, so she does me a favor and wears tights. Big help.

So here comes along the maxi. And she's all for it. Ah, nice, warm feet! So what rubs?

The against -- the way she shlumps along in the slush, she'd wear it maybe two days and three days at least it would be at the cleaners. Add the expense. So where's the advantage?

Ugly or not, I'm settling for a midi. And if worse comes to worse, it'll be the pea jacket and tights.

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Have you ever noticed the difference of interpretation between your side of the family and your in-laws?

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So Mama says, "Poor dear. It must hurt like blazes."

But Mama-in-law will say, "Nu, ahbie 's vet zikh ois-hayln (as long as it'll heal)."

And, of course, you like the first comment. Because there's sympathy. And you like to be consoled.

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Then there's the killjoy.

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The mod lamps she'll brush aside with, "You should see my crystal chandelier -- like Louis XV (or any of the other Louis')."

By the time she's through, you're wondering where you got the taste for such garbage.

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We have the do-gooder who goes to all the luncheons and teas. She won't miss a trick.

Nu, ask her about the affair. What was on the agenda, what did the guest speaker say, what's the next big project?

She doesn't know. But she will tell you the food wasn't so i-yi-yi, the hostess' chairs needed to be redone, the carpet was frayed at the edges, the latest gossip is such and such, ad infinitum.

She really had a wonderful time.

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TORONTO WOMEN'S NEWS

CONFAB

Focus on the 70's is the theme of the Conference of Women by the Federation of Jewish Women's Organizations, at Shaarei Shomayim, Thursday, December 4th.

Mrs. Ray D. Wolfe, FJWO chairman, said there will be a major discussion by health, welfare and educational authorities on the present outlook in these fields.

Participants: Jerome Diamond, executive director, Jewish Family and Child Service; Milton Friedman, executive director, Jewish Vocational Service; Dr. Ben W. Lappin, associate professor, School of Social Work, U. of T.; Sam Ruth, executive director, Baycrest Center for Geriatric Care; Benjamin Schneider, Executive director, UJWF; David Andrews, executive director, "Y".

Mrs. Rubin B. Marks, is chairman for the conference. In charge of arrangements: Mesdames Maxwell Leroy and Murray Rosen.

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ART SHOW

Adath Israel will have its third annual art show preview on Sunday, November 30th. Exhibit begins on Monday and runs through Thursday.

MEMBERSHIP NIGHT

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Sisterhood held a paidup membership night last Monday evening. The choral group entertained, directed by Mrs. Harold Klein; musical accompaniment, Mrs. Joseph Kelman. Cast included Ruth Fox, Gloria Gold, Sheila Guttman, Fern Horowitz, Roslyn Laber, Faigie Meisaner, Ruth Silverberg, Yetta Weis.

HAPPENING

Pioneer Women's auction and bazaar will take place this coming Tuesday evening and all day Wednesday at the St. Lawrence Market. Every type of product will be available to the housewife. Hourly giveaways include holiday fruit cakes, raffles, favors. Grand door prize: 1970 Vauxhall. Throwins include a carnival, bar, art exhibit and handicrafts.

GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. Saul Goldstein, child psychiatrist, was guest speaker at the recent membership meeting of B'nai Israel Beth David Sisterhood. Mrs. David Zuckerbrot, president, and Mrs. Morley Diskin, membership chairman, welcomed the new members.

ART IN THE CASTLE

Manor Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, is presenting, Art in the Castle, a weekend of culture and beauty, tomorrow night and Sunday at Casa Loma. Well known artists will be represented. Door prizes: a signed Salvador Dali lithograph valued at $200; Tai Ping rug, same value. Conveners: Mesdames Irwin Cooper, Raymond Sadowski, Jerry Sherman. Proceeds to B.B. agencies and charities.

BOOK FAIR

B'nai B'rith Women are sponsoring a Book Fair this coming Monday and Tuesday evenings. Mrs. Helen Hutchinson will be keynote speaker the first night; Mrs. Phyllis Gotlieb, on Tuesday night. Short films will be shown on Thursday, November 27th. Convener: Mrs. Murray Rosen, B.B. Women's Council of Toronto.

GENERAL MEET

Eitz Chaim Mothers' Association held a general meeting recently. Mrs. Helen Fishbane presided. The group will assist the Jewish Child and Welfare Service in tutoring children from Morocco.

A luncheon report was given. Rachel Weinstock reported on the candy tree project. A report by Irene Klein on the recently tendered tea was heard. Caterers at Torath Emeth were presented with a gift. Miriam Maierovits assumed the project of the annual raffle. Clara Green distributed Blue Boxes.

Special guests: Rabbi S.K. Weinberg, dean; Rabbi P. Wiener, principal of general studies. Mesdames Kipper and Kuhnreich served refreshments.

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Shaarei Tefillah Sisterhood recently held a general meeting. Tillie Miskin, president, presided. A playlet was presented by the National Council of Jewish Women Players.

Fanny Ross convened the recently held bazaar.

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SUEZ CANAL, AT HUNDRED, NEVER THE SAME AGAIN

Beirut.- The Suez Canal, opened to shipping 100 years ago Monday, will never again be a vital international waterway, in the opinion of political and commercial observers.

These people believe that, at the best the Canal can recover from its state of being a wreckage-strewn front line ditch between the Egyptian and Israeli armies to become a secondary supply route.

Privately, Egyptian officials admit that the Canal will never be the same again.

Since it was closed at the outbreak of the Six Day War in June, 1967, the pattern of shipping, particularly of oil, has been adjusted on the assumption that the waterway will be closed indefinitely.

Estimates are that if agreement to reopen the Canal was reached tomorrow it would take at least a year and expenditure of more than $250 million to get the 100-mile waterway back to something like normal conditions.

Observers in Arab capitals are working on the assumption that the Canal will be closed for at least another two years.

In 1966 the Canal earned Egypt about $330 million. For two years Egypt has been compensated for this by grants from the major Arab oil-producing States, but President Nasser cannot count on such charity being continued indefinitely.

INTERNATIONAL FLEET

A hundred years ago Monday an international fleet of 68 vessels entered the Canal at Port Said to make the first transit. They were led by the French ship Aigle, carrying the Empress Eugenie of France, who had performed the formal inauguration ceremony.

This week there will be no festivities. It is another day of war, marked by the intermittent crash of artillery and the crackle of machine-gun and rifle fire.

At least a million Egyptian civilians have been evacuated from the area. Canal installations have been badly damaged.

In the Bitter Lakes, just north of Suez, which the Empress Eugenie reached on the third day of her progress, there is today an international fleet of a sadder kind.

Trapped since the Six Day War, 15 merchant ships of seven nations, including four British, loll at anchor with dwindling chances of release.

DISRAELI AND THE CANAL

(Cont. from page 1)

That autumn the Khedive found himself up to his fez in debt. He was borrowing as much as £7 million a year to balance his budget, often at exorbitant rates of interest, until his only remaining asset was his holding in the Suez Canal Company.

On Sunday evening, November 14, 1875, the British Prime Minister, Disraeli, was dining at 148 Piccadilly, with his old friend, Baron Lionel de Rothschild, then head of the New Court dynasty. Host and guest were peeling their muscatels, when a footman handed the baron a telegram on a silver salver. The baron glanced at it, hesitated for an instant, then read it out.

An official in the Paris office reported that the Khedive had offered his 176,002 shares (out of a total of 400,000) to the French Government, but apparently there was some hitch over terms.

"How much?" Disraeli asked tersely. A wire was instantly sent to Paris. Back came the reply. The shares could be bought for 100 million francs (£4 million). "We will take them" announced Disraeli.

It was no simple transaction. Parliament was then in recess, which made it impossible under Act of Parliament to raise the cash from the Bank of England. In the meantime, Rothschild's information was confirmed by friends of Lord Derby, the Foreign Secretary.

Speed and secrecy were vital if the shares were to be snapped up before counter-bids started and inevitable manoeuvring in the chancelleries of Europe. Disraeli called an emergency meeting of his Cabinet and secured their approval for raising a loan from the Rothschilds.

Within hours the £4 million was credited to the Khedive's account. On November 24, Disraeli wrote ecstatically to the Queen:

> "It is just settled! You have it, Madam! The French Government has been out-generalled. . . . There was only one firm that could do it, Rothschilds. They behaved admirably; advanced the money at a low rate. . . ." It was only 3 per cent.

The Khedive's shares, together with those already held by the British Government, gave this country a majority holding and control of a vital artery, quite apart from an investment which mushroomed in value and brought in dividends of well over £2 million a year.

The Rothschild-Disraeli coup had a sequel which makes painfully familiar reading today. In June, 1882, a band of Egyptian fanatics ran amok in Alexandria and killed 50 Europeans. The Sultan kept silent and France timidly confined herself to a protest. Britain sent a force under Sir Garnet Wolsey to occupy key points along the Canal Zone.

De Lesseps, humiliated by his country's weakness, wired support to Colonel Ahmed Arabi, the rebel leader:

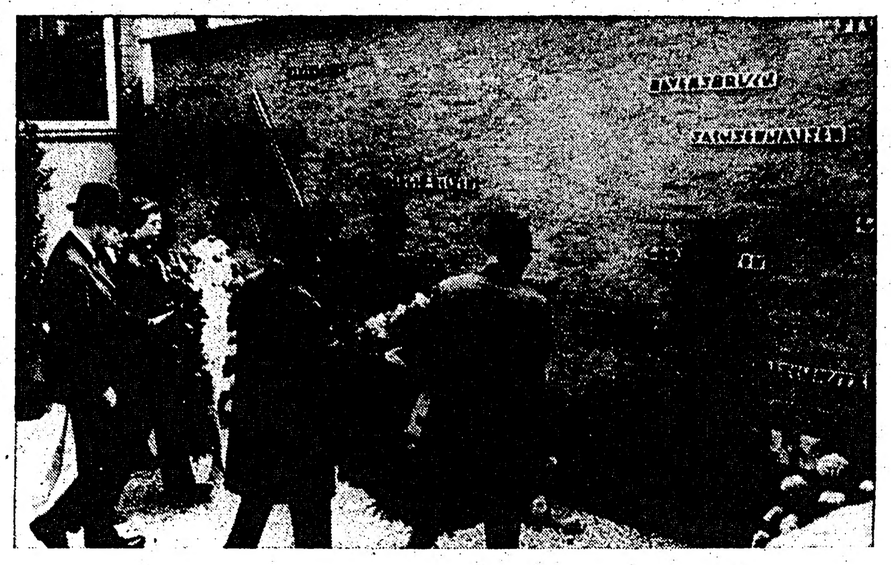
"The English shall never enter the Canal, never. Not a single English soldier shall disembark without being accompanied by a French soldier. I answer for everything."

But his lethargy and bad staff work gave the British expedition a crucial 24 hours in which to land and advance. The revolt was crushed at Tel-el-Kebir, which made Britain virtual custodian of the Canal, with attendant commercial and strategic benefits in the Middle East.

There was a move to punish Colonel Arabi. Instead he was banished into comfortable exile in Ceylon. Sentimentalists had united with power politicians in a policy of appeasement.

So ended a chapter of history which Nasser has no doubt studied with profit.

Moving ceremony in Berlin



Wreath-laying ceremony at the West Berlin Jewish community centre on Sunday, the 31st anniversary of Crystal Night. The Mayor of West Berlin, Mr Klaus Schutz, is on the left

NIXON CONCESSIONS FEARED

Washington (JCNS).- Concerned with the mounting criticism on Vietnam and alarmed over events in Libya and Lebanon, the Nixon Administration now appears to be retreating in the Middle East and yielding to Moscow and Cairo.

Last week's U.S. proposal to restore the pre-June, 1967 "international border" in Sinai is the most serious weakening of U.S. policy since the 1967 Six Day War, observers here believe.

Israel's friends here fear that this concession will be followed by others in the U.S.-U.S.S.R. bilateral talks, including such issues as the nature of the peace and refugees. Moreover, the proposal for withdrawal in Sinai will encourage Syria and Jordan in their territorial demands.

Observers believe that Vietnam is responsible partly for the setback. President Nixon may want to show quick results in the Middle East to appease critics who accuse him of immobility on Vietnam, and he also may be paying heed to State Department Arabists who are increasingly gloomy about the radical trends in Arab States.

The Leftist takeovers in Libya and Sudan have heightened State Department fears. The Lebanese crisis and Al Fatah's growing appeal have alarmed U.S. diplomats, some of whom draw a parallel with the post-Second World War retreat from China.

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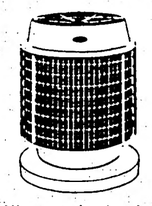
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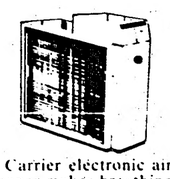
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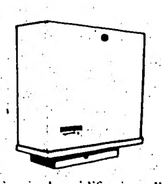
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